



California Department of Public Health Preventive Medicine Residents 2014-15



Dr. Sona Aggarwal completed residency in Primary Care Internal Medicine at UCSF/San Francisco General Hospital in 2005. Since then she has worked in primary care and hospital medicine in Bay Area county health systems. In 2008, she joined healthcare services in the California Department of Corrections at San Quentin where she served as Director of Quality Improvement and staff physician. Through that experience she honed skills in quality improvement and population health management using registry-driven metrics. She now returns to training in the Preventive Medicine Residency program to further explore interests in health system management and public health. During the training year Sona will be completing a Masters of Public Health in the Health Policy & Management track at UC, Berkeley.

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Dr. Andrea Garcia earned her MD/MS degrees from the UC Berkeley-UCSF Joint Medical Program in 2013. She completed an internship in Internal Medicine at White Memorial Medical Center. Prior to medical school she spent two years in the National Institutes of Health Academy where the primary objective was training on health disparities. Her research interests include chronic disease prevention, health policy, and particularly issues pertaining to the health of American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) communities. Her former projects have examined AIAN injury prevention and the intersection with public laws, AIAN adult vaccination rates, and the health of American Indian Elders in California. Her goals include a career in public health and health policy that addresses the needs of underserved populations, and increasing the number of underserved minority physicians. Andrea has been placed in the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health within the Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention.

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